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**STATEMENT FROM PREMIER HEATHER STEFANSON ON WINNIPEG CITY COUNCIL MOTION**

I have reached out to Mayor Brian Bowman following the motion raised at Winnipeg city council today. I welcome the opportunity to meet with the mayor and discuss further the ongoing protests. Maintaining constant communications between levels of government is imperative.

On behalf of all Manitobans, I want to thank both the city and the Winnipeg Police Service for their efforts at managing the ongoing situation. As a provincial government, we do not have jurisdiction, nor would it be appropriate to interfere with civic protests or police operations. However, we remain in regular communication with the mayor and City of Winnipeg officials and share the same goal to ensure the safety and well-being of those working, living and accessing services in the area.

At city council today, both the mayor and the chief administrative officer acknowledged the Winnipeg Police Service is the full authority to lead and deal with this situation.

We have full confidence in the front-line officers of the Winnipeg Police Service to maintain order on Winnipeg streets, as they have been through difficult circumstances throughout these protests.

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